

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO.491 OF 2007

Narendra Ashok Bhaktiani ... Petitioner

Vs.

The State of Maharashtra & Ors. ... Respondents

Mr. M.D. Parab for the petitioner.

Ms. U.V. Kejariwal, A.P.P. for the State.

Mr. N.N. Rajurkar for respondents 4 to 8.

**CORAM : SMT. RANJANA DESAI &
D. B. BHOSALE, JJ.**

DATED : 19TH APRIL, 2007.

P.C.:-

This is a petition praying for writ of habeas corpus. The petitioner claims that he is legally married to Vanita Kanhayalal Khilwani. According to him, his wife is illegally detained by respondents 4 and 5, who are her parents.

Today, in the court, the petitioner and respondents 4, 5, 6 and 7 are also present. We have interviewed in our chamber, the petitioner, respondents 4, 5 and Vanita, the daughter of respondents 4 and 5. Vanita is

admittedly major. Vanita told us that she is not illegally detained by respondents 4 and 5. According to her, she is staying with her parents of her own free will and she is under no coercion or threat. Vanita has told us that she wants to continue to stay with her parents. In view of this, this petition for habeas corpus does not survive. Hence petition is dismissed.

[SMT. RANJANA DESAI, J.]

[D. B. BHOSALE, J.]